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De Blasio touts housing plan in State of the City

The city. The mayor pledges to create homes to bridge the income gap for lowand middle-income New Yorkers.

Mayor Bill de Blasio's trope of the tale of two cities was alive during his second State of the City address on Tuesday. In his address, de Bla-

In his address, de Blasio outlined his plan to increase affordable housing for low- and middle-income New Yorkers as a way to combat economic inequality.

"If we do not act, and act boldly, New York risks taking on the qualities of a gated community," de Blasio said. "We cannot let that happen, we will not let that happen."

The mayor was introduced by lifelong Fort Greene resident Sheryl Morse, who said she was afraid of being priced out of her longtime low-income co-op where numerous other members of her family live.

Morse said the building reached out to the city for funding, and the mayor and his administration delivered more than \$3 million in funding for building repairs, including replacing windows, repairing elevators and boilers and removing ashestos

"While the state of our city is strong we face profound challenges. If we fail to be a city for everyone



By the numbers

17.3K

The number of affordable unit created in the city in 2014

42K

That's enough to house 42,000 people.

we risk losing what makes New York New York, we risk losing the very soul of this place," de Blasio said, speaking on the "soaring" costs of housing and the nearly 60 percent of city residents who are "rent burdened" by paying more than 30 percent of their income on housing. Among the key pledges de Blasio made during the speech were a new housing policy that would require all new housing built under rezoning in six neighborhoods — East New York, Long Island City, Jerome Avenue in the Bronx, Bay Street in Staten Island and East Harlem — to include affordable units.

The city is planning to invest \$200 million in affordable housing in the lower Grand Concourse area of the south Bronx, and de Blasio said the city is committed to ending homelessness for the city's 1,000 veterans in 2015.

More affordable housing will be available to

seniors, and the city will provide 1,500 living and working spaces for low income artists.

With housing reclaiming more of the city's decayed industrial waterfront, the mayor said the city will have a five borough ferry system in place by 2017 that will cost commuters the equivalent of a MetroCard swipe.

De Blasio said the city is developing 13 new rapid transit bus routes.

Looking back at 2014, de Blasio called it a year of "great progress" that introduced Vision Zero and universal pre-K, increases in living wages and access to paid sick leave for thousands more New Yorkers.

The mayor said crime

was at an historic low last year, with the lowest number of reported murders, robberies and burglaries

The mayor also said a new marijuana enforcement policy launched in November, in which officers issue summons instead of arrests for

low-level possession charges, has led to a 65 percent decline in marijuana arrests.

De Blasio, who vowed to reform stopand-frisk during his mayoral campaign, said the "overuse" of the policy ended last year, and stops are down 75 percent.

In 2014, the city created 17,300 affordable units — 11,185 preserved and 6,191 new units — enough to house 42,000 New Yorkers.

Identifying two groups that really need affordable space — seniors and artists — was right on target, said Nancy Biberman, a developer and founder and president of the Women's Housing and Economic Development Corporation in the South Bronx.

When news broke that Bronx Commons, a development set to break ground later this year, would reserve 40 affordable units for older artists, the phone at her office started "ringing off the hook."

"We know the need is there," Biberman said.



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Warming. Temps to rise, but more snow on Wednesday



The city will get a brief break from the cold air on Wednesday before more snow falls overnight and during the Thursday morning commute.

David Stark, a meteorologist from the National Weather Service, said Wednesday's high will be 41 degrees, with a 20 percent chance of snow during the day.

"Forty is where we

should be for this time of the year; we're not seeing anything unusually warm," said Stark, adding most of the snow on the ground likely won't melt.

"Where the air is coming from makes all the different, south by southwest winds will warm us up," Stark said.

A front bringing a band of snow from the northwest is expected to move through New York City after midnight on Wednesday.

Up to an inch of snow could fall during the Thursday morning commute and taper off by the afternoon, Stark said.

The New York City Department of Sanitation has issued a snow alert that starts at 10 p.m. on Wednesday.

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Five-borough ferry system

The city will launch a new citywide Ferry Service that will knit together existing East River routes with new landings and services



Weather delays dog MTA for second day of awfulness

Transit fail. No umbrella on the rails, just ice, smoke, sick passengers and signal problems.

Tuesday morning's commute was a trip through hell for tens of thousands of subway riders, as the Metropolitan Transportation Authority struggled to keep up with iced-over tracks, smoke-filled stations and signal problems.

"Two sick passengers, two track fires and some signal trouble. Some days are challenging," agency spokesman Kevin Ortiz told Metro early Tuesday.

Authorities were not able to determine what caused the two track fires, nor did MTA determine if



the signal problems were weather-related or just normal mechanical failures for the century-old subway system.

And after an errant umbrella apparently short-circuited the third rail on the Flushing line yesterday, 7 train riders dealt with slow commutes for a second day in a row, as the MTA said

it was still deicing some tracks.

The agency recently unveiled a plan to spend \$15.5 billion on New York City subways and buses, including \$55 million on new fire safety systems, and \$2 billion to replace 84 miles of track and 175 switches.

A morning announcement warned riders on

the Seventh Ave. line's 1/2/3 trains that signal problems were holding up trains by as much as 20 minutes. The signal problems also hit the Lexington Ave. line's 4/5/6 trains.

The L got hit when a train had mechanical problems at an aboveground station in Brooklyn.

And straphangers stepped out of N/Q/R trains at around 10:30 a.m. at the Lexington and 59th Street station only to walk into clouds of smoke.

Another track fire, near the Van Wyck F and B station in Queens, shut down service on those lines at around 9 a.m.

Iced rails also slowed B trains between Brighton Beach and Prospect Park.



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Killer barber sentenced to 19 years in prison

A 35-year-old Queens barber has been sentenced to 19 years in prison for stabbing a customer to death over a pair of headphones.

Cedric N. Simpson, 35, was convicted of first-degree manslaughter last month. According to Queens DA Richard Brown, Simpson agreed to

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reported.

Wrongfully

convicted man

A Brooklyn man who

received a \$3.6 million

state settlement for spend-

ing more than 20 years in

prison for a triple murder

detectives, the Daily News

Anthony Yarbough, 40,

sued the city and NYPD

spent 21 years in prison

buy a Bluetooth headphones from a 19-year-old customer, Carl Richardson, but didn't have the money. When Richardson came by the barbershop to collect the cash on March 25, 2014, the two men argued and started fighting. Simpson ran back into the shop and grabbed a pair of scissors from the station where he worked, and stabbed the victim in the neck, upper back and eventually the chest, killing him. METRO

on a triple murder convic-

tion that was overturned

last year by the Brooklyn

district attorney. The

federal lawsuit alleges

detectives coerced Yar-

his mother, 12-year-old

sister and her friend in a

Coney Island apartment.

Yarbough was 18 at the

convict Shariff Wilson

evidence. metro

time. Yarbough and fellow

were exonerated by DNA

bough to confess to killing

Head-stomping officer caught on tape indicted

Police misconduct.

NYPD veteran charged by Brooklyn grand jury with stomping on shackled teen.

A police officer seen on camera stomping his foot on a restrained suspect's head was arrested Tuesday

Eight-year NYPD veteran Joel Edouard was caught on cellphone as he arrested Jahmil-El Cuffee in Brooklyn last July for suspicion of marijuana possession.

Edouard, 36, and a second officer held Cuffee, 32, as he writhed on the floor in front of an apartment building on Malcolm X Boulevard in Bedford-Stuyvesant.

Charges against



Quoted

"This defendant allegedly stomped on the head of a suspect as he lay on the ground, which is unacceptable for a police officer."

Brooklyn DA Ken Thompson

Cuffee were dropped in December. Edouard was reassigned to modified duty.

The second officer appeared to place his palm against Cuffee's throat while Edouard pulled out his service gun and pointed it at Cuffee's head.

"Help me," Cuffee said while the officers restrained him. More cops began to circle around Cuffee when Edouard stormed down the block.

Edouard then came back and seemed to push Cuffee's head against the concrete with his boot.

The crowd began to shout, "Stop," and, "He can't do that" before the camera footage ends.

Charges against Edouard include assault, attempted assault and official misconduct.

The Brooklyn District Attorney's office will prosecute the case.

Last November, the Brooklyn DA charged two officers with assault and misconduct after they were caught on surveillance video punching a teen in Crown Heights. One of the cops used his gun to hit the teen.



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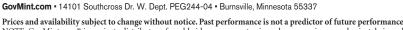
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If it's not the subways, it's the sewers.

Manholes have exploded around the city in recent days, setting cars afire, shooting toxic gas into homes — and leaving one Brooklyn man in critical when a heavy, flying manhole cover hit him in the head.

Salt from street deicing makes a bad situation far worse in the city's aging underground infrastructure. The explosions are caused when the salty water from the melting make frayed, exposed wires arc below ground and the sparks ignite the foul gas air. Then boom. officials told Ed



70nline that there have been 200 manhole incidents in recent days. Not all included a flying cover; several were just holes spewing smoke or fires.

Tuesday morning in Park Slope, Brooklyn, on Sixth Street, dozens were roused after a manhole blew beneath a car, setting it on fire. Carbon monoxide detectors soon sounded in several homes and evacuations began.

Monday night in Man-Washington hattan's Heights, gas from a blown manhole filled a five-story apartment house at West 163rd and Fort Washington Ave., forcing 100 residents

to leave when CO alarms in multiple units sounded. Several residents reportedly suffered minor carbon monoxide poisoning.

Monday morning in Brooklyn, on Prospect Park West near Fourth Street, 71-year-old Salvatore Grillo was hospitalized in critical condition after a manhole hit him in the head around 11:30 a.m.

The Post said Grillo's dog, Abby, bolted into Prospect Park, where rescue groups found her hours

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Queens. Councilman arrested over hiding financial dealings

Queens Councilman Ruben Wills was arrested and indicted a second time on Tuesday morning.

Wills faces five counts of filing false documents to the New York City Conflict of Interest Board, according to the state Attorney General Eric Schneiderman's office.

The two-term lawmaker is accused of not disclosing "certain financial dealings' between 2011 and 2013.

Schneiderman set his sights on Wills last year, when the attorney general indicted him in May 2014 on 12 counts for allegedly misusing taxpayer money donated to a charity he operated before he joined the

Wills was accused of using the money to buy luxury goods, including a \$750 Louis Vuitton handbag.

The nonprofit received money from



former state Sen. Shirley Huntley, for whom Wills work as chief of staff. Huntley was arrested and convicted in 2013 in an unrelated corruption

Last summer, Wills filed a motion to remove Schneiderman from the case against him over what Wills' attorney said was political motivation and retribution against the councilman.

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Islamic State shows burning of hostage, Jordan vows revenge

Relatives told.

The head of the Jordanian armed forces broke the news of the pilot's death to his family.

Islamic State militants released a video on Tuesday appearing to show a captured Jordanian pilot being burnt alive, and Jordan vowed to avenge his death with an "earth-shaking' response.

A Jordanian official said the authorities would execute several militants jailed in Jordan in response, including a Iraqi woman who Amman had sought to swap for the pilot taken captive after his plane crashed in Syria in December.



Reuters could not immediately confirm the content of the video, which showed a man resembling airman Mouath al-Kasaesbeh standing in a black cage before being set ablaze. But the reaction of the Jordanian authorities made clear they treated it as genuine.

Jordan, which has been mounting air raids in Syria as part of the U.S.-led alli-

ance against Islamic State insurgents, would deliver a "strong, earth-shaking and decisive" response, a government spokesman said.

Jordan had sought to swap the pilot for Sajida al-Rishawi, the Iraqi female militant who was sentenced to death for her role in a 2005 suicide bombing in Amman that killed 60 people.

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SEC. Most brokerages and financial advisers had cyberattacks

U.S. brokerage firms and financial advisers are a routine target of cybercriminals and some have lost money as a result of fraudulent emails requesting transfers of client funds, the Securities and Exchange Commission said in a report.

At least 88 percent of broker-dealers and 74 percent of advisers have been the target of cyberattacks, the SEC said, citing findings from a cybersecurity examination program it conducted last year.

SEC Commissioner Luis Aguilar, a Democrat, said in a statement the examination showed that "cybersecurity is a persistent and growing threat,

Most of the attacks were through fraudulent emails, some of which led to brokers losing more than \$5,000, the report said.

and that firms must take their cybersecurity duties seriously.

The SEC's Office of Compliance Inspections and Examinations inspected 57 broker-dealers and 49 investment advisers for its "Cybersecurity Examination Initiative.

The report said a quarter of the incidents that led to losses resulted from employees not following their company's identity authentication procedures.

The examination found that the vast majority of brokerages conduct periodic risk assessments on a firm-wide basis to identify cybersecurity threats and have adopted written information security policies.

Wall Street's industryfunded watchdog, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, issued a separate report on Tuesday that also identified hacking as a major threat facing brokerages.

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Judge ousts juror in former NFL star's murder trial

Game. The juror was removed two days after the Patriots' Super Bowl victory over the Seattle Seahawks.

A Massachusetts judge on Tuesday removed a juror in the high-profile murder trial of former New England Patriots star Aaron Hernandez, saying the juror misled the court about attendance at Patriots games and expressed an opinion on the case.

The juror, who was not identified, was a member of the panel of five men and 13 women hearing testimony in Hernandez's trial on charges relating to the 2013 death of Odin

Lloyd, a semiprofessional football player who had been dating Hernandez's fiancée's sister.

Associate Justice Susan Garsh said that evidence had emerged that the juror "has attended more Patriots games than were disclosed on the [jury selection] questionnaire."

Hernandez, 25, has been accused of fatally shooting Lloyd near his home in North Attleborough, Massachusetts, in June 2013. He also faces firearms charges. Hernandez has pleaded not guilty to all counts.

Hernandez has separately been accused of killing two Cape Verdean men outside a Boston nightclub in 2012, and will be tried on those charges later this year.



Quoted

"There is credible evidence that the juror did talk about the case over the last few years, and that the juror expressed a specific opinion about the case."

Associate Justice Susan Garsh said at Massachusetts Superior Court





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Among the pending issues is lunar property and mineral rights. It was discussed and tabled in the 1970s in a U.N. proposal called the Moon Treaty. It was signed by nine countries, but not the U.S. / GETTY IMAGES

Regulating business on the moon

Documents obtained.

U.S. companies can stake claims to lunar territory through an existing licensing process for launches.

The United States government has taken a new, though preliminary, step to encourage commercial development of the moon.

The Federal Aviation Administration, in a previously undisclosed late-December letter to Bigelow Aerospace, said the agency intends to "leverage the FAA's existing launch licensing authority to encourage private sector investments in space systems by ensuring that commercial activities can be conducted on a non-interference basis."

In other words, experts said, Bigelow could set up one of its proposed inflatable habitats on the moon, and expect to have exclusive rights to that territory—as well as related areas that might be tapped for mining, exploration and other activities.

However, the FAA letter noted a concern flagged by the State Department that "the national regulatory framework, in its present form, is ill-equipped to enable the U.S. government to fulfill its obligations"

under a 1967 United Nations treaty, which, in part, governs activities on the moon.

The United Nations Outer Space treaty, in part, requires countries to authorize and supervise activities of non-government entities that are operating in space, including the moon. It also bans nuclear weapons in space, prohibits national claims to celestial bodies and stipulates that space exploration and development should benefit all countries.

"We didn't give [Bigelow Aerospace] a license to land on the moon. We're talking about a payload review that would potentially be part of a future launch license request. But it served a purpose of documenting a serious proposal for a U.S. company to engage in this activity that has highlevel policy implications," said the FAA letter's author, George Nield, associate administrator for the FAA's Office of Commercial Transportation, **reuters**

Quoted

"We recognize the private sector's need to protect its assets and personnel on the moon or on other celestial bodies."

The FAA, in a letter written in December to Bigelow Aerospace

Remote-controlled aircraft

FAA grants eight more exemptions for commercial use of drones

The Federal Aviation Administration said on Tuesday it had granted eight more exemptions for commercial use of small drones as the industry eagerly awaits new agency rules on the remotecontrolled aircraft.

It said it issued new exemptions to Total Safety U.S. Inc., for flare stack inspections; to Slugwear Inc., for aerial photography and surveys; and to Team 5 LLC, Shotover Camera Systems LP, Helinet Aviation Services LLC, and Alan D. Purwin for film and television production.



The FAA also amended the exemptions granted to Pictorvision Inc., and Aerial MOB LLC to let the companies fly additional types of small drones. The FAA is developing specific regulations for unmanned aircraft that weigh less than 55 pounds. The agency has effectively banned commercial use except when operators are granted exemptions. REUTERS



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CULTURE Twitter feed

Today, Edward Burns is sorry he hasn't been tweeting more often, Elizabeth Hurley is having a pretty interesting day, Sarah Silver-

man isn't sleeping well and Jason Alexander just ruined "Looney Tunes."

@edward_burns: Back in the saddle. First tweet in over a year. How goes?

@ElizabethHurley: I now know the origin of the phrase 'to smell a rat' after a fascinating hour with my rodent man. One twitch of his nostrils & bingo.

@SarahKSilverman: Is something in retrograde? Crazy dreams goin around. (a shark broke into my apartment and chased me up a hill)

@IJasonAlexander: Deep thought today: If Wile E. Coyote from the Road Runner had enough money to buy all that ACME stuff, why didn't he just buy

Mila Kunis had a really big baby Mila Kunis is making the talk show rounds for the first time since giving birth to daughter Wyatt four months ago - and apparently Wyatt was quite the whopper. "She's a really good baby. She was 9.5 pounds when she was born," Kunis tells Ellen DeGeneres during an interview. "Because she was so big, she was like a hearty little thing. That is putting it lightly. And apparently having a baby that big can throw off your planning. "Newborn' never happened. Newborn diapers never hapned, and newborn clothes never hapened," Kunis explains. "She's 4 months old and wears 6-month clothing, 6 to 9. She's a big girl, y'all." Sure, fine, but when did Kunis start saying "y'all"?

Nathan Sykes says Ariana Grande broke his heart

Ariana Grande may be happily in love with Big Sean, but before things heated up with her "Right There" collaborator, she dated The Wanted (remember them?) band member Nathan Sykes. Now that The Wanted are broken up, Sykes has been in the studio recording some solo songs, and one in particular is about his famous ex. "The most emotional song is about me telling myself not to be angry about the breakup because sometimes things just don't work out," he tells The Sun. And he didn't hold back revealing more details about their breakup to the paper: "The time we broke up was really tough. The Wanted decided to take a break, and I lost my grandad. I was not in the best place. She was my first grown-up relationship. But some-



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times you have to go into a place like that to be able to find the best music out of it." Well, Taylor Swift would certainly agree. EMILY LAURENCE

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Daily video

Mean tweets, musician edition

Just because she just pulled off an impressive Super Bowl halftime show doesn't mean that Katy Perry doesn't still have some harsh critics, as she learns in the latest installment of Jimmy Kimmel's series of celebrities reading mean tweets about



themselves. "Katy Perry has a voice that reminds me of balls covered in

glass sliding down my throat," she reads, always a good sport. Perry, Josh Groban, Drake, Lady Gaga and others subject themselves to some harsh Internet treatment for our entertainment. And what do we learn? It's mean to pick on Ed Sheeran. And Ariana Grande can't keep it together. But can you blame her?

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Tweet in the name of love

Interview. Jesse Lee Soffer enjoys fans' social media efforts in support of his character's love life on "Chicago P.D."

Life as a hashtag seems like it might be a little weird, but Jesse Lee Soffer is having fun with it. He plays Detective Jay Halstead on "Chicago P.D." and is one half of the very popular #Linstead on Twitter, alongside co-star Sophia Bush, who plays Detective Erin Lindsay. Both are in the Intelligence Department of the Chicago P.D., and fans have been hoping the duo would get together since the beginning of the series (hence the hashtag).

Soffer is quick to credit Bush with keeping the hashtag lively. "I think it has a lot to do with Soph's social media presence. We have a lot of her fans on there," he says. He says they're pretty happy with the Twitter love. "The more people that we get attached and hooked, the better. I think they keep coming back for the relationships. They love seeing how these cops deal with what they go through at work and how they bring that into their personal lives."

#Linstead to a big step this season by embarking on a romance.

"It's exciting to see fans' the reaction to it. It's something that started in Episode 1. One of the stage directions on the first scene between Halstead and Lindsay was 'There's heat between these two,

JESSE LEE SOFFER



and that's become a running joke. Any time we're on set, it's like, 'Oh, there's heat there,'" says Soffer with a laugh.

He thinks it's a good idea they're finally exploring the romance. "I think if we didn't start to explore it right now as we are, the fans probably would have been like, 'Screw this, I'm out of here."

For now, they're focusing on their crossover episode with "Chicago Fire," which began Tuesday night and continues Wednesday as both sets of characters try to solve the murder of

a slain firefighter, Leslie Shay. "The whole team gets involved. As it is in our reality on the shows, we're all friends with Shay, and it's just as important to us to find out who her killer was," says Soffer.

Does Soffer ever get jealous of the stunts the firefighters get to do? "I think they get jealous of the stuff we get to do," says Soffer with confidence.

Chemistry

Perfect match

Soffer has a few theories about why Halstead and Lindsay connect. "There was a friendship and a kinship and a bond first before [the romance] started happening. They were partners, they took care of each other, they want to protect each other, so whatever's there goes a little deeper than just a fling or something, which is why they fought it for so long."

Having a few things in common helps, too. "They're both a little rough around the edges. They're also a little elitist. They're kind of judgmental. They generally think they're the toughest cops on the scene, and I think that's why they lay off each other so well," says Soffer.



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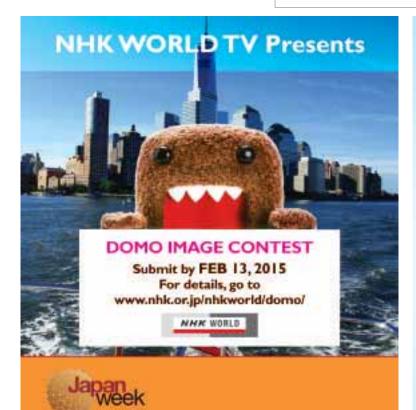
2795 Eighth Ave., Harlem I'm a huge fan of the lamb (which, yes, can be slightly fatty). It comes packed with flavor, and the sides are delicious.

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Xavier Dolan: 'I don't believe in generations'

Festival. But

doesn't believe

don't hold that

against him. He

Interview. The prolific young filmmaker-actor discusses "Mommy" and liking older traditions. Yes, French-Canadian director-actor Xavier Dolan is 25 years old and has made five feature films "I THINK WHAT HASN'T BEEN four of which DONE IS WHAT WE HAVEN'T debuted at the INVENTED TECHNICALLY. THOSE Cannes Film

ARE THE TRUE REVOLUTIONS,"

XAVIER DOLAN SAYS.

you should judge anyone, least of all him, by their age. His latest, "Mommy," finds three people — a sometimes violent teen (Antoine-Olivier Pilon), his mother (Anne Dorval) and their mousy neighbor (Suzanne Clement) — forming a tight-knit group.

You've said your biggest inspirations don't come from other films but from photos, music and other mediums.

For me, movies, being sort of the sum of all arts, it makes sense that you can seek inspiration wherever you like. ... I don't find inspiration in watching other people's



films because that reduces you to being influenced rather than being inspired. It sponsors plagiarism and imitation. It's better if you're inspired by an image or a painting in a more discreet and private way.

Does that stem from being worried about being original?

[Jean] Cocteau said, "Everything has been done except by me."

Technology, it seems, could be one factor that can inspire genuinely original work.

What hasn't been done is what we haven't invented technically. Those are

the true revolutions. But they're not essentially the ones that appeal to me like projecting in 48fps. ... I'm somewhat of a very traditional person in terms of filmmaking.

That said, your film is in an unusual format: It's shot in a box shape, 1:1, whereas most films are rectangular.

When you think about it, it's the oldest thing. People have been shooting portraits in that aspect ratio forever. Filming movies is like taking pictures.



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Do you feel connected to your age group?

I don't believe in generations. I don't believe in age. ... People are not defined by age. They're defined by feelings and tastes. There are a ton of interesting voices. I have not sat down lately to reflect on what this generation is about and is up to right now. I do see similarities between some creators and artists who are my age or a little bit older, but those are pretty naive and elementary lines to draw.

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How to care for your fiddle leaf fig

"Any plant grows super easy if it is in a spot that it likes. And if it's not in a spot that it likes, it's aoina to struggle." Hancock

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Tip

The trick to feeding your fig



Houseplant.

The "it" plant isn't as high maintenance as you think.

Like those fluffy Moroccan rugs, brass sconces and sparkling white subway-tiled kitchens, the fiddle leaf fig has become a musthave in cool, modern homes. But the plant du jour, known for its giant fiddle-shape leaves and architectural silhouette, isn't always the easiest to care for.

Put the tropical plant in a spot it doesn't like and those gorgeous, lush green leaves will soon be covered with brown spots and drop like flies.

With so much varying information out there

Keep the humidity level in check

"Heating makes the air super dry in the winter, and a lot of tropical plants, like the fig, can have trouble with that," warns Hancock. But don't reach for your misting



"water it twice a week;" soak it in the shower;" "put it by a bright

bottles just yet.

'Misting is a bit of a gardening myth," he says. It makes us feel good because we feel like we're doing something, but once the water evaporates, the effect is gone." Instead, set a tray of water on the radiator so you constantly have evaporation going on,

or set the fig on a tray with pebbles and water. "The moisture will evaporate and create this little humid cell," he says.

window;" "keep it away from direct sunlight") and confusing care

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instructions - what exactly is bright indirect sunlight? - we decided to take it to the experts.

Horticulturist and **Exotic Angel Plants** grower Justin Hancock tells us the do's and don'ts of caring for a fig.

Bring on the bright light

"The biggest thing for the fiddle leaf fig is that it likes bright light," Hancock says. But what's with all the contradictory information online?

"A lot of house plants require indirect light because they come from the rainforest, and so they're not exposed to direct sun on their leaves," he explains. "But because the fiddle leaf fig is a tree, it's not growing on the rainforest floor. So don't be afraid to put it in front of a window. It'll be happier with a little more direct light.

Watering

Another topic that websites differ on is watering schedule.

You want the top inch to start to dry out before you water it again," Hancock says. "So it's really best not to go by a calendar, until you get to know your plant pretty well."

He says you'll start to find a rhythm with time.



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Shop. Jumpsuits are trending on the runway and red carpet

At the recent Golden Globe Awards, Emma Stone won the red carpet in her Lanvin jumpsuit, combining perfectly tailored pants and a bejeweled top. Accessorized with a big bow belt and black pumps, the outfit was just as elegant — if not more — as any princess-like dress we saw that evening.

"For the past year, designers have had a much more relaxed attitude that caters to the modern woman's lifestyle," says Sasha Sarokin, buying

manager for Net-A-Porter .com.

While fashion houses like Christian Dior, Ralph Lauren and Chloe all featured refined jumpsuits in their Spring/Summer 2015 shows, some took the trend into workwear territory with overall-like interpretations at Emilio Pucci, Derek Lam and Damir Doma.

Whichever style you go for, Sarokin says, "jumpsuits are a key piece and now considered a staple in every woman's wardrobe.'

Not only are jumpsuits

incredibly comfortable - hence the onesie frenzy — they are also very flattering. "You can wear them throughout the day with chic flats or sneakers and they make a cool alternative to dresses and suits in the evening," says the expert, adding, "[just throw on] killer heels, a statement belt and layered jewelry."

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Tech bloggers have heaped breathless praise on Microsoft's . HoloLens, the newest entry in the augmented reality market. It pledges to create an intuitive interaction with holograms to smoothly process real-time data captured by the visor's sensors. Microsoft worked closely with NASA to develop the HoloLens, which will let you play real-life Minecraft and take chatting to a whole new level with hologram versions of your contacts.



ODG Smart Glasses

Military contractor Osterhout Design Group created an augmented reality device whose display can conjure up a virtual 720p screen floating a few feet away from your face and it recognizes objects, images and text. Presented at the CES 2015 trade show, the glasses will be capable of interactive 3-D games and watching 3-D movies in bright sunlight. ODG says it will be available later this year for under \$1,000.

Samsung **Gear VR**

Powered by the same technology as the Oculus Rift, the Samsung Gear VR promises full immersion in a cinematic virtual reality environment. It uses an accelerator, gyrometer and magnetic and proximity sensors to help create the 360-degree experience. Native apps already exist, but there is a big catch: You need a Galaxy Note 4 smartphone to use it. It's available now for \$200.



Sony **SmartEyeGlass**

A rival of Google Glass, the SmartEyeGlass looks like just a regular pair of specs. It will have a special projector that shows holographic information at the distance of each one of the wearer's eyes. The monochrome display saves battery life, but the 3-megapixel onboard camera is in color. It's expected to launch in March, but the price has not yet been set.





Oculus Rift

The highly anticipated Oculus Rift will work with a computer or mobile device. It has a 1080p AMOLED display and can track movements, then turn them into gameplay. Funded by a Kickstarter campaign back in 2012, the prototype version raised \$2.4 million. Last year, Oculus was purchased by Facebook, and a consumer version is now in the works, though there is no release date yet.



Meta Pro

Dubbed "the Iron Man glasses," the Meta Pro can display gesture-manipulable 3-D content across a wide 40-degree field of view that is 15 times the screen area of Google Glass, according to its developers. The Meta Pro also has 4GB of RAM, 128GB of storage, Wi-Fi and Bluetooth connectivity, and can transmit 3-D surround-sound audio. It's priced at \$3,650.

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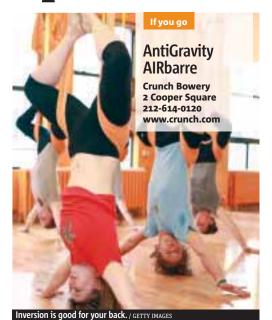
Meet your new dance partner

Inside the workout.

AntiGravity AIRbarre adds another dimension to ballet.

Let's be real: Anyone who's fallen out of a hammock is going to be a little wary walking into a studio full of them hanging from the ceiling. The height is adjusted by the instructor for each student, so arrive about 15 minutes early. The steps are all carefully explained, and once you take a deep breath and allow yourself to tumble backward into your first inversion, it's not uncommon to giggle.

After that, imagine moments of yoga zen mixed with the physical exertion of a cardio workout. Did ballet when you were little? It comes back as you work through plies, deep releves and stretches. You're also realizing that traditional barre workouts don't really work your upper body, but having a moving barre does — the jumps and chorus line kicks are as much about sculpting longer, leaner legs as using your arms and shoulders to stabilize the movements. The next day, I felt the workout not



just in my butt and backs of my legs, but my biceps and triceps.

Bottom line: Be patient with yourself the first time — you're finding a new center of balance as well as learning to use a new piece of equipment. Previous ballet experience is a good preview, but around the time you're using your arms to pirouette as much as your legs, you realize

how much you'd relied on momentum to carry you along. If you measure a workout by numbers, AIRbarre claims to burn up to 650 calories, but you should do it for the sheer enjoyment; the entire session is a giddy rush (and not just of blood to the



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The class

Hang out to work out

Christopher Harrison doesn't even like to call his latest AntiGravity class a workout. "Instead of a mindless workout where you're just adding stress and creating more cortisol in your system, I like to call it 'mindful playtime' because your body and mind are reconnecting," he says.

Led by specially trained instructors using the Harrison hammock, which he calls "your dance partner," AntiGravity AIRbarre is so safe and easy on the joints that even his mother can do it — in her 70s with two replaced hips.

To create the workout, now at Crunch in the Bowery, Harrison fused his Broadway career with the yoga mindset and ballet moves. "A regular barre is stationary — here you're required to chal-lenge your body in new ways; you're working in all three dimensions.







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Merely having more food choices leads to obesity

Study. When saying "yes" becomes easier, our waistlines feel it.

Think twice about buying in bulk — a new study shows it's bulking you up.

Health economist Charles Courtemanche at Georgia State University found that when food options expand — a combination of big-box retailers like Wal-Mart as well as sit-down and fast-food restaurants — there is a major spike in body mass index.

"Changes in variables related to calorie intake collectively explain 37 percent of the rise in [BMI] rates and 43 percent of the rise in obesity," Courtemanche says.

His analysis, which looked at 27 factors including the number of stores



Quoted

"White-collar workers have the flexibility to graze all day at their desks, and they can take lunch out. It all points to caloric intake." courtemanche

and restaurants, food prices, unemployment rates, smoking and more, found that the mere availability of cheaper and more convenient food leads people to eat more.

Fewer blue-collar jobs were also cited as a factor, though not because workers are sitting all day. "White-collar workers have the flexibility to graze

all day at their desks, and they can take lunch out," Courtemanche says. "It all points to caloric intake."

There is some good news: If gyms were located nearby, BMI went down. Higher gas prices also deterred gluttony.



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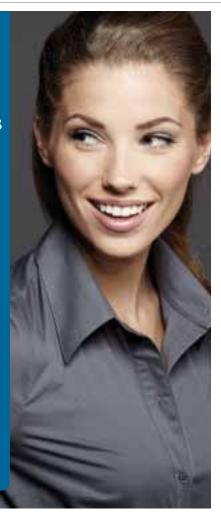
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Aries | March 21-April 20 A compatible partnership is imminent. Make sure any agreements are wellbalanced, or you may find yourself overworked.

Taurus | April 21-May 21 Influential acquaintances will help you make a good financial move. Be prepared to act quickly when the right opportunity comes.

II Gemini | May 22-June 20 Intimate time spent with a special someone will allow you to reconnect and revive your relationship. Clear up any outstanding items.

Gancer | June 21-July 22 Money or legal matters will turn in your favor. Changes at home will cause some tension, but everyone will benefit in the end. Clear up outstanding paperwork.

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A successful partnership depends on both parties making equal contributions. If you find that your partner isn't pulling his weight, start a discussion.

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M Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Self-doubt will be your downfall. Once you have compiled information, make a commitment to an investment opportunity.

₹ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Finish what you start. A haphazard approach will cause chaos and leave you with lots of incomplete projects. Stay focused.

Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Keep a close watch over the competition. You will save yourself a lot of work if you compare strategies and make any adjustments. EUGENIA LAST

Letters to the editor

Cauliflower no substitute for meat

Re: 'Get your man to go veg' (Metro, Feb. 2) As a female vegetarian married to a male carnivore I found the author's suggestions of vegetarian dishes to feed a meat eater really missed the mark. No one that likes steaks is going to be satisfied with a grilled slab of cauliflower. Í suggest vegetarian chili and corn bread. As for a meatless pasta dish, penne puttanesca can be made without anchovies and is still full of flavor. Keep in mind that meat eaters are used to hearty dishes, and dishes that don't satisfy them will only reinforce their belief that they need to have meat at every meal.

LAURA SCHMIDT, VIA EMAIL

Real rivals

Re: 'Sharpton strikes back at young protesters' (Metro, Feb. 2; Metro. us) It is a very tired but tried-and-true method in disrupting social movement progress to highlight any infighting among different organizations or individuals involved in that struggle. The article reporting that Rev. Sharpton made comments concerning "rival" younger protesters was just more of the same. That the article reported on just one so-called rival who made negative comments in regard to Rev. Al Sharpton without reporting what that rival's issue was with Bill Bratton, considering that the named rival was the founder of New Yorkers Against Bratton, was rather disingenuous.

KEVIN VALENTINE, VIA EMAIL

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NFL The coach with the blue tattoo Rex Ryan has changed his colors Literally. The new Bills head coach had an artist change the color of a tattoo on his right arm from green to blue, according to The Wall Street Journal. The tattoo that underwent the change was of Ryan's wife wearing a green Jets jersey. "I mean, you've got to turn the page," Ryan told the WSJ. 'I'm all-in.' Visit Metro.us to see how Ali's

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star in the NFL.

No guarantees for Geno, Jets may go after Mallett

NFL. At the very least, Geno Smith will have competition this spring and summer.

The New York Jets have struggled to find an elite quarterback since Joe Namath's storied career four decades ago. There are now indications that Geno Smith, the latest from the hype machine, isn't being viewed as the team's longterm solution under center.

A league source tells Metro that the Jets were heavily engaged at the Senior Bowl with several quarterbacks, and though they are "unlikely to use a high pick on a quarterback" they could be looking to select Smith's replacement somewhere in this upcoming draft. The source, who is familiar with the Jets' thinking, said that the team likely "will be looking in free agency for some real competition for Smith."

That could mean the Jets making a move for a veteran such as Jake Locker or Brian Hoyer. In addition, the source said that he believes that general manager Mike Maccagnan, formerly of the Houston Texans, is "intrigued in the



"[Ryan] Mallett and the Jets are a natural fit. He'd be interesting in a quarterback competition to say the least. ... The organization now questions if [Geno Smith] can be a starter."

A league source, to Metro on the future of Geno Smith as the Jets' QB

idea of Ryan Mallett" being part of the quarterback competition.

'Mallett and the Jets are a natural fit," the source said. "He'd be interesting in a quarterback competition, to say the least."

Besides Smith, the Jets have veteran quarterback Mike Vick and young understudy Matt Simms currently on the roster. The source said that the expectation is that the Jets will move on from Vick" at some point this offseason but could well retain Simms to continue his development.

Mallett is intriguing to Maccagnan and the Jets because of his prototypical size, but he comes with some risk. He's far from established as a quarterback as he has a very brief resume in the NFL and is coming off a season-ending pectoral injury.

He has played in just seven games over three seasons and has attempted just 75 passes in the league.

As for Smith, the source said that "he doesn't appear to be trade bait. He's still young and cheap and there is a willingness to develop him. There are no indications at this point that he will be cut or dealt to another team, but the Jets openly want to bring in someone to challenge him to start. But the organization now questions if he can be a starter."

That would be a change for the Jets.

Last year, they brought in Vick before the NFL draft to be part of a quarterback competition with Smith, but it was a sham show. Smith was anointed early on as the starter and Vick was always to be the backup, even after Smith failed to show well in training camp.

"The Jets are either going to draft or sign someone who could potentially be a starter," the source said. "Geno doesn't go into this year as the go-to, anointed one if they can help it. They will upgrade at quarterback for sure.

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NBA power rankings | by Jeff McMenamin



Their impressive 19-game winning streak came to an end Monday night at the hands of the Pelicans. They went 17-0 in January, an NBA record for wins in a month. No. 2





The Warriors dropped two-straight last week at the hands of the Bulls and Jazz, but that's no reason to worry in the Golden State.

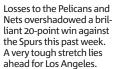
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Grizzlies (36-12)



Things are heating up in Memphis, where the Grizzlies are now winners of 11 of their last 12. They dropped the Mavs, Thunder and Suns last week.

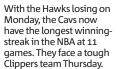




Rockets (33-15)

Dwight Howard is out with a right knee injury for about a month, which means the Rockets are going to have some games like they had Saturday.

Cavaliers 77 (30-20)



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Mavericks , (33-17)

The Mavs haven't beaten a team above .500 since they beat Memphis back on January 19. The Rajon Rondo trade isn't going over as well as hoped.

Blazers (32-16)



The Blazers are losers of eight of their last 10 games and it's officially time to panic in Portland. The contender status the team once held is slipping.

Bulls (30-19)



You'd think that an overtime win over the Warriors would propel this team to the next level. But it did the opposite, as the Bulls have lost two straight.

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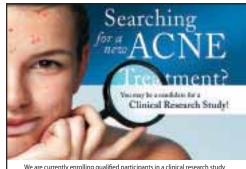
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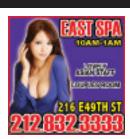
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Alyson Reilly of KRyS Global was appointed as Official Liquidator of kikin

The first meeting of the Creditors of the Company will be held at the offices of KRyS Global, Governors Square, Building 6, 2nd Floor, 23 Lime Tree Bay Avenue, PO Box 31237, Grand Cayman, KY1-1205 on 17 February 2015 at 10.00 am (EST). Arrangements have been made for Creditors to attend the meeting by telephone, details of which can be obtained from the contact details below.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect a Liquidation Committee and deal with any other matters or resolutions the Official Liquidator thinks fit or the Court may direct.

Any person who is entitled to attend and vote at this meeting may appoint a proxy to attend and vote on their behalf. Such proxy need not be a member or a creditor. In the event you cannot attend in person or by telephone and wish to attend in proxy, please contact the Official Liquidator at the below address to arrange for a Proxy Form.

Please further note that any person intending to participate in the meeting must send a written notice of their intention to do so together with their Proof of Debt Form and Proxy Form by no later than 12 Noon (EST) on 16 February 2014.

For further information please contact Evette Burnell or Samantha Wood Evette.Burnell@krys-global.com Samantha.Wood@krysglobal.com.

Alyson Reilly Official Liquidator

Governors Square, Building 6, 2nd Floor 23 Lime Tree Bay Avenue P.O. Box 31237 Grand Cayman KY1-1205 Cayman Islands

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